



US 60 Alignment Study

(Superstition Freeway to Florence Junction)

ADOT Project No: 60 PN 199 H7004 01L



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Public Open House

Wednesday, April 9, 2008

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Open House 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Presentation 6:30 p.m.

Open House *after Questions and Answers*

About Tonight's Open House

- The purpose of the open house is to present the new US 60 alignment for review, discussion and comment.
- Please review the exhibits around the room. Any person wearing a name tag can assist you.
- A question and answer session will take place after the presentation. Please fill out a **question card** (blue) during the presentation. We will answer questions from the cards.
- Your input is important. Please fill out the **comment sheet** (yellow) and either leave it in the comment box tonight or send it to us by **May 7, 2008**.

Project Purpose and Need

- Respond to transportation demand caused by recent and future development
- Serve the projected build-out of eastern Maricopa County and northern Pinal County
- Provide an access-controlled, divided highway to improve efficiency and capacity
- Address future traffic projections
- New alignment around Gold Canyon in response to agency and public comments/requests

Schedule

Anticipated completion of Design Concept Report and Environmental Analysis  Early 2009

Design and Construction  Not yet funded



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Ways to provide input

- Talk with a study team member tonight
- Write comments on a flip chart or place notes on the exhibits
- Submit a comment form (Put in comment box tonight)

Send written comments to:

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Project History

- The initial environmental study and design concept report began in 1999 to look at improvements to the existing US 60 highway.
- Feedback from area residents showed concerned about widening, one-way frontage roads and the elevated freeway section of the improved US 60, and requested an alternate transportation solution.
- An access management study was completed in 2003. The study recommended purchasing the access rights on US 60 between the Superstition Freeway and the Tonto National Forest Boundary. With the completion of this study and environmental document, ADOT will be allowed to purchase a portion of those access rights.
- When funding became available, ADOT began the study process again and responded to residents' concerns by looking at a new US 60 alignment around Gold Canyon.
- A public scoping meeting was held on April 18, 2007.
- ADOT presented the alternatives to develop an alignment around Gold Canyon, improve US 60 east of the Renaissance Festival to Florence Junction, and a "no-build" option.
- ADOT presented possible interchange locations within the new alignment around Gold Canyon, near El Camino Viejo and near the Queen Creek wash near SR 79.
- ADOT received comments from the community and agency stakeholders.
- ADOT is presenting a new alignment alternative at the public open house on April 9, 2008 based on recent public and agency input.